

Adorning The Doctrine of God
Titus 2:1-15; 2:1,10

Introduction: The doctrines of the Bible, especially those about God are not attractive to the unregenerate. In fact many people find the Bible to be actually repulsive. One of the tasks of the Christian is to make it attractive to the unsaved. The only way this can be done is to live its precepts consistently. Sometimes Christians need to have areas of inconsistency called to their attention. This is one of the functions of a pastor, such as Titus and his associates who were to be ordained to the ministry.

There are certain sins that are characteristic of certain age groups and genders. In this passage Titus is instructed by Paul to pay special heed to these characteristic sins. We today will do well to look closely at our lives and see to it that these sins are put away. In so doing, we will adorn the doctrine of God, making it attractive to the unsaved.

In this message, I will seek to explain and illustrate how the doctrine of God can be dressed up and made attractive to the unsaved.

We shall focus our attention on the idea of "Adorning the Doctrine" and see:

- (1) Its meaning.
- (2) Its method.
- (3) Its motivation.

I. The meaning of adorning the Doctrine. (1:1,10)

- A. What the word "adorn" means.
- B. What the word "becoming" means.
- C. Illustrate by describing a bride preparing for her wedding. (Rev. 21:2)

II. The method of adorning the Doctrine.

- A. How an old man adorns the doctrine. (2:2)
- B. How an old woman adorns the doctrine. (2:3)
- C. How a young woman adorns the doctrine. (2:2, 4)
- D. How a young man adorns the doctrine. (2:6-8)
- E. How a servant (employee) adorns the doctrine. (2:9-10)

III. The motivation for adorning the Doctrine.

Here we deal only with the bare essentials of the facts that:

- A. Grace teaches me to adorn the doctrine. (2:12)
- B. The return of Christ compels me to adorn the doctrine. (2:13)

Conclusion:

- A. Many find our doctrine unattractive.
- B. Yet, these need to be brought to Christ.
- C. We must therefore make the doctrine attractive by our godly lives.
- D. The time is short, the Lord is at hand.